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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/940,575
Filing Date	August 29, 2001
First Named Inventor	Tohru Den
Group Art Unit	2811
Examiner Name	Shouxiang Hu
Attorney Docket Number	03500.015719

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Preliminary Amendment

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☒ Other Letter Transmitting Corrected Drawing with 1 Replacement Sheet

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) **12/19/2003 SDENB081 00000081 09940575**
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) **01 FC:1801** **770.00 OP**
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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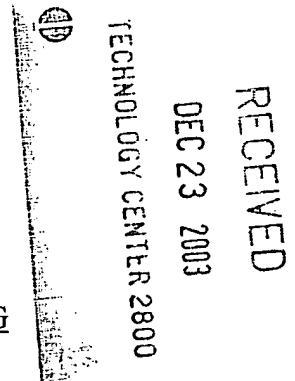
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LETTER TRANSMITTING CORRECTED DRAWING

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is one sheet of formal drawings to be substituted for the corresponding drawing sheet presently on file in the above-identified application.

The new drawing sheet incorporates the changes approved by the Examiner in the papers dated September 24, 2003.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,  
California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to  
be directed to our address given below.

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